- 2. Answering paragraph 2 of the Complaint, Defendant ADMITS that there is a coverage dispute arising Under Policy No. HAH15-0632, but is without knowledge, information, or belief sufficient to address the remainder of the allegations, and therefore DENIES the remainder of the allegations.
- 3. Answering paragraph 3 of the Complaint, Defendant ADMITS that Plaintiff MLF purchased Allied Health Professional Liability Insurance Policy No. HAH15-0632 which, subject to all other policy terms, conditions, exclusions and endorsements, incepted on April 15, 2015 and terminated on April 15, 2016, and affords those limits of liability as set forth in the Declarations to the Allied Health Professional Liability coverage but otherwise denies the allegations set forth in paragraph 3 of the Complaint.
- 4. Answering paragraph 4 of the Complaint, Defendant ADMITS that the Policy contains an endorsement titled "Billing Errors Endorsement," and that the coverage afforded thereunder is set forth in the terms, conditions and exclusions in the Endorsement, but otherwise denies the allegations set forth in paragraph 4 of the Complaint.
- 5. Answering paragraph 5 of the Complaint, the allegations of this paragraph require interpretation of the Policy, which is a matter which calls for a legal conclusion and thus no response is required.
- 6. Answering paragraph 6 of the Complaint, Defendant is without knowledge, information, or belief sufficient to address the allegations, and Defendant therefore DENIES the allegations.
- 7. Answering paragraph 7 of the Complaint, Defendant DENIES the allegations set forth except ADMITS that it has advised Plaintiffs, pursuant to a full reservation of rights, that subject to the terms, conditions, and exclusions contained in the Billing Errors Endorsement, they may be indemnified for loss and claim expenses combined up to the stated limits of \$25,000.
  - 8. Answering paragraph 8 of the Complaint, Defendant states that this paragraph

contained therein except ADMITS that the Policy was issued to MLF and that Exhibit 1 is a

- Answering paragraph 17 of the Complaint, the allegations of this paragraph require interpretation of the Policy, which is a matter which calls for a legal conclusion and
- Answering paragraph 18 of the Complaint, the allegations of this paragraph require interpretation of the Policy, which is a matter which calls for a legal conclusion and
- Answering paragraph 19 of the Complaint, Defendant ADMITS the named insured is My Left Foot Children's Therapy, LLC. The remainder of the allegations in this paragraph require interpretation of the Policy, which is a matter which calls for a legal conclusion and thus no response is required.
- Answering paragraph 20 of the Complaint, Defendant is without current knowledge, information, or belief sufficient to address the allegations, and Defendant

#### 1. The Insuring Agreement - Coverage

- Answering paragraph 21 of the Complaint, Defendant ADMITS the quotation from section I.A. of the Policy's Insuring Agreement is accurate, however, Defendant states that the term "coverage" requires interpretation of the Policy, which is a matter which calls for a legal conclusion and thus no response is required.
- 22. Answering paragraph 22 of the Complaint, Defendant ADMITS the accuracy of the text quoted from of the Policy.
- 23. Answering paragraph 23 of the Complaint, Defendant ADMITS the accuracy of the text quoted from the Policy. Defendant is without knowledge, information, or belief sufficient to address the allegations, and Defendant therefore DENIES the allegations.
- 24. Answering paragraph 24 of the Complaint, the allegations of this paragraph require interpretation of the Policy, which is a matter which calls for a legal conclusion and

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1	to all of the o	ther terms, conditions and exclusions set forth in the Billing Errors Endorsement,
2	the Endorsem	nent contains an obligation to indemnify Plaintiffs for Claims Expenses incurred
3	up to the \$25	,000 limit of liability.
4		The Underlying Action
5	35.	Answering paragraph 35 of the Complaint, Defendant is not a party to the
6	referenced la	wsuit and thus lacks sufficient knowledge, information, or belief sufficient to
7	address the a	llegations, or the authenticity of Exhibit 2. Defendant therefore DENIES the
8	allegations.	
9	36.	Answering paragraph 36 of the Complaint, Defendant is without knowledge,
10	information,	or belief sufficient to address the allegations, and Defendant therefore DENIES
11	the allegation	is.
12	37.	Answering paragraph 37 of the Complaint, Defendant is without knowledge,
13	information,	or belief sufficient to address the allegations, and Defendant therefore DENIES
14	the allegation	S.
15	De	efendant's Refusal to Extend Coverage up to the Limit of Liability
16	38.	Answering paragraph 38 of the Complaint, the allegations of this paragraph
17	require interp	pretation of the Policy to the issue of timely notice, which is a matter which calls
18	for a legal co	nclusion and thus no response is required. Defendant ADMITS it was placed on
19	notice of the	Underlying Action.
20	39.	Answering paragraph 39 of the Complaint, Defendant DENIES the allegations.
21	40.	Answering paragraph 40 of the Complaint, Defendant DENIES the allegations.
22	41.	Answering paragraph 41 of the Complaint, Defendant ADMITS the
23	allegations.	
24	42.	Answering paragraph 42 of the Complaint, Defendant ADMITS that it has
25	denied covers	age under the Allied Health Professional Liability coverage in the Policy, and
26	that it has der	nied that the Claims Expenses Endorsement is applicable to the coverage

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afforded under the Billing Errors Endorsement but otherwise DENIES the remainder of the

- 43. Answering paragraph 43 of the Complaint, Defendant DENIES that it has an obligation to defend the Plaintiffs in any Billing Errors Proceeding but ADMITS that subject to all of the other terms, conditions and exclusions set forth in the Billing Errors Endorsement, the Endorsement contains an obligation to indemnify Plaintiffs for Claims Expenses incurred up to the \$25,000 limit of liability.
- 44. Answering paragraph 44 of the Complaint, Defendant is without knowledge, information, or belief sufficient to address the allegations, and Defendant therefore DENIES the allegations.
- 45. Answering paragraph 45 of the Complaint, Defendant states that this paragraph consists entirely of conclusions of law which do not require a response.
- 46. Answering paragraph 46 of the Complaint, Defendant states that this paragraph consists entirely of conclusions of law which do not require a response.
- 47. Answering paragraph 47 of the Complaint, Defendant states that this paragraph consists entirely of conclusions of law which do not require a response.

#### COUNT 1

# (DECLARATORY JUDGMENT – DUTY TO INDEMNITY FOR CLAIMS EXPENSES)

- 48. Answering paragraph 48 of the Complaint, Defendant ADMITS those paragraphs previously admitted and DENIES those paragraphs previously denied.
- 49. Answering paragraph 49 of the Complaint, Defendant DENIES the allegations of this paragraph.
- 50. Answering paragraph 50 of the Complaint, the allegations of this paragraph require interpretation of the Policy, which is a matter which calls for a legal conclusion and thus no response is required.
- 51. Answering paragraph 51 of the Complaint, the allegations of this paragraph require interpretation of the Policy, which is a matter which calls for a legal conclusion and

#### (DECLARATORY JUDGMENT – DUTY TO DEFEND)

58. Answering paragraph 58 of the Complaint, Defendant ADMITS those paragraphs previously admitted and DENIES those paragraphs previously denied.

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Answering paragraph 67 of the Complaint, the allegations of this paragraph

paragraphs previously admitted and DENIES those paragraphs previously denied.

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## THIRD AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

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The Allied Health Professional Liability Insurance provided under Policy #HAH15-0632 ("The Policy") applies only with respect to claims that are first made against the Insured

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during the Policy Period, April 15, 2015 to April 15, 2016.

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were first made against the Insureds prior to April 15, 2015, such claims are not covered

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under The Policy.

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FOURTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

The Allied Health Professional Liability Insurance provided under The Policy applies

To the extent any of the claims asserted against the Insureds in the Underlying Action

In the event that the claims asserted against the Insureds in the Underlying Action

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only to those claims reported pursuant to the terms and conditions of The Policy arising out of

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Professional Services described therein and performed subsequent to The Policy's Retroactive

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Date of April 15, 2014.

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arise out of Professional Services performed prior to April 15, 2014, such claims are not

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covered under The Policy.

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## FIFTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

The Allied Health Professional Liability Insurance provided under The Policy applies

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only to sums the Insured becomes legally obligated to pay as Damages and Claims Expenses

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which the Insured shall become legally obligated to pay because of any claim or claims

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arising out of any "Act" as defined therein, and not excluded or limited by the terms,

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conditions and exclusions of The Policy.

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An "Act" is defined as any act, error or omission in the rendering of, or failure to

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render "Professional Services", as set forth in Item 8 of the Declarations, to others by any

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Insured person. "Professional Services" means those services performed by an Insured in the practice of its profession, which is described in the Policy Declarations as "Pediatric Physical,

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Occupational, Aquatic and Speech Therapy Services".

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	The Claims asserted against the Insureds in the Underlying Action arise from the
	Insureds' alleged fraudulent billing practices and not from any alleged act, error or omission
	in the rendering of, or failure to render Professional Services. Therefore, such claims are not
	covered under The Policy's Allied Health Professional Insurance.
	SIXTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE
	The term "Damages" does not include punitive or exemplary damages except to the
	extent that such damages are insurable by law of the jurisdiction most favorable to the
	insurability of such damages provided such jurisdiction has a substantial relationship to the
	relevant insureds, to the Company, or to the Claim giving rise to the damages.
	To the extent that the Plaintiffs in the Underlying Action seek punitive or exemplary
	damages, such damages are not recoverable under The Policy except to the extent that they
	are insurable by law as set forth in The Policy's definition of "Damages".
ļ	SEVENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE
	The Defendant's duty to defend any claim or suit against the Insured under the Allied
	Health Professional Liability Insurance applies only to Claims or Suits arising out of a
	Professional Liability Act.
	The Underlying Action does not assert claims against the Insured arising out of a
	Professional Liability Act. The Defendant has no obligation to defend the Insureds in the
	Underlying Action.
	EIGHTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Under the Allied Health Professional Insurance in The Policy, the Defendant's obligation, if any, to pay damages on behalf of the Insureds, or to indemnify the Insureds with respect to damages incurred in connection with the Underlying Action, is limited to the amount of \$2,000,000 for amounts in excess of the Insureds' deductible.

#### NINTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

The coverage of the policy shall be determined in accordance with the terms, conditions, definitions, limitations, and exclusions contained in the Policy that were in effect

at the time of the alleged loss.

## TENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Under the Allied Health Professional Insurance in The Policy, the Defendant's obligation, if any, to pay Claims Expenses on behalf of the Insureds, or indemnify the Insured with respect to Claims Expenses incurred in connection with the Underlying Action, is limited to the amount of \$2,000,000 for amounts in excess of the Insureds' deductible.

## **ELEVENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE**

Pursuant to the Exclusions set forth in The Policy with respect to Allied Health
Professional Insurance, the coverage under The Policy does not apply to Damages or Claims
Expenses with respect to any Claim or Suit arising out of, based upon, relating to or involving
any criminal, dishonest, fraudulent or malicious error or omission of any Insured including a
willful violation of any statute or ordinance, committed with actual, criminal act, dishonest,
fraudulent or malicious purpose or intent.

## TWELFTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Pursuant to the Exclusions set forth in The Policy with respect to Allied Health Professional Insurance, the coverage under The Policy does not apply to Damages or Claims Expenses with respect to any Claim or Suit arising out of, based upon, relating to or involving any errors or omissions that took place prior to April 15, 2015 if any Insured, on such date, knew or could have reasonably foreseen that such errors or omissions might be expected to be the basis of a Claim.

#### THIRTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Pursuant to the Exclusions set forth in The Policy the coverage under The Policy does not apply to any fines, penalties or sanctions or the return of, or reimbursement for, fees, costs or expenses charged by any Insured.

## FOURTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Pursuant to the Exclusions set forth in The Policy with respect to Allied Health Professional Liability, the coverage under The Policy does not apply to Damages or Claims

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-	Expenses with respect to any Claim or Suit arising out of, based upon, relating to or involving
	alteration, modification or destruction of medical records, in whole or in part, or directed to be
	altered or destroyed in whole or in part.
	FIFTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE
	Pursuant to the terms, conditions and exclusions set forth in Endorsement 10 to The
	Policy, "Billing Errors Endorsements", Defendant's obligation, if any, to indemnify the
	Insureds for loss in excess of the stated \$2,500 deductible which the Insured is obligated to
	pay and Claims Expenses which the Insured incurs is subject to and limited to the sub-limit of
	liability of \$25,000 per occurrence and \$25,000 in the aggregate.
	The coverage afforded under the Billing Errors Endorsement is limited to "Loss" and
	Claims Expenses incurred in any "Billing Error Proceeding" made against an Insured during
	the Endorsement period April 15, 2015 to April 15, 2016 and is subject to the definitions of
	those terms contained in the Billing Errors Endorsement.
	The coverage afforded under the Billing Errors Endorsement does not obligate
	Defendant to defend the Insureds in any "Billing Errors Proceeding".
	The coverage afforded under the Billing Errors Endorsement does not apply to any
	over payments an Insured is required to return or refund to a Qui Tam Plaintiff.
	SIXTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE
	The Exclusions set forth in the Billing Errors Endorsement bar coverage for any loss
	or Claims Expenses for a Billing Proceeding involving the return, disgorgement or restitution
	of fees; profits, charges or benefit payments to any governmental health benefit pay or
	program.
	The Exclusions set forth in the Billing Errors Endorsement bar coverage for any Loss
	or Claims Expenses for a Billing Procedure involving any punitive and exemplary damages,
-	taxes, criminal minds as penalties.
-	SEVENTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

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The Complaint and each claim alleged therein are barred by the doctrine of laches.

## 1 EIGHTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE 2 The Complaint and each claim alleged therein are barred by the doctrine of unclean 3 hands. 4 NINTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE 5 Plaintiffs failed to perform their obligations under the Policy, including but not limited 6 to Plaintiffs' duty to cooperate with Defendant. 7 TWENTIETH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE 8 By their own acts, omissions and conduct, Plaintiffs waived their rights to the relief 9 requested. 10 TWENTY-FIRST AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE 11 Defendant presently has insufficient knowledge or information on which to form a 12 belief as to whether it may have additional affirmative defenses available, and therefore 13 reserve their right to assert additional affirmative defenses in the event discovery or further 14 analysis indicates that additional unknown or unstated affirmative defenses would be 15 applicable. DATED this 29 day of October, 2015. 16 MORRIS POLICH & PURDY LLP 17 18 19 NICHOŁAS M. WIECZOREK Nevada Bar No. 6170 20 MATTHEW R. CARLYON 21 Nevada/Bar No. 12712 500 South Rancho Drive, Suite 17 22 Las Vegas, Nevada 89106 Counsel for Defendant Chaucer Corporate 23 Capital (No.3) Limited, sued herein as Certain Underwriters at Lloyd's London 24 Subscribing to Policy No. HAH15-0632 25 26 27 28 Page 15

1	DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL
2	Defendant Chaucer Corporate Capital (No.3) Limited, sued herein as Certain
3	Underwriters at Lloyd's London Subscribing to Policy No. HAH15-0632, by and through its
4	counsel Morris Polich & Purdy LLP, hereby demands trial of this matter by jury.
5	DATED this day of October, 2015.
6	MORRIS POLICH & PURDY LLP
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1	<u>CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE</u>			
2	Pursuant to FRCP 5(b), I certify that I am an employee of Morris Polich & Purdy LLP,			
3	a nd that on this 29 day of October, 2015, I served a true and correct copy of the			
4	foregoing AMENDED ANSWER TO COMPLAINT FOR DECLARATORY RELIEF;			
5	<b>DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL</b> via electronic means by operation of the Court's electronic			
6	filing system, upon each party in this case who is registered as an electronic case filing user			
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